

## **Assembly Bill No. 1562**

### **CHAPTER 908**

An act to amend Sections 290 and 290.4 of the Penal Code, relating to sex offenders, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

AB 1562, Alby. Sex offenders: disclosure by law enforcement officers.

(1) Existing law imposes registration requirements on specified sex offenders.

This bill would authorize law enforcement officers to disclose information regarding these offenders that is necessary to protect the public, which may include the identities and locations of these offenders, under specified circumstances.

(2) Existing law requires the Department of Justice to continually compile specified information regarding persons required to register as sex offenders.

Among other things, this bill would require the department, on or before July 1, 1997, to provide a CD-ROM or other electronic medium containing this information to specified law enforcement agencies. These law enforcement agencies would be required to make the CD-ROM or other electronic medium available for public viewing. Unauthorized removal or destruction of the CD-ROM or other electronic medium would be a misdemeanor. By increasing the duties of local officials and creating a new crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(3) Existing law requires the Department of Justice to operate a "900" telephone number that members of the public may call to inquire whether a named individual is included among those described by the above provision.

This bill would revise these provisions and would require the Department of Justice to report to the Legislature, on or before July 1, 2000, concerning the effects of these changes to the "900" telephone number system made by this bill.

(4) This bill would also incorporate additional changes to Section 290 of the Penal Code proposed by AB 401, to be operative if AB 401 and this bill are both enacted on or before January 1, 1997, and this bill is enacted last.

(5) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the

state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement, including the creation of a State Mandates Claims Fund to pay the costs of mandates that do not exceed \$1,000,000 statewide and other procedures for claims whose statewide costs exceed \$1,000,000.

This bill would provide that with regard to certain mandates no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

With regard to any other mandates, this bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs so mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

(6) The bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares the following:

(a) Sex offenders pose a high risk of engaging in further offenses after release from incarceration or commitment, and protection of the public from these offenders is a paramount public interest.

(b) It is a compelling and necessary public interest that the public have information concerning persons convicted of offenses involving unlawful sexual behavior collected pursuant to Sections 290 and 290.4 of the Penal Code to allow members of the public to adequately protect themselves and their children from these persons.

(c) Persons convicted of these offenses involving unlawful sexual behavior have a reduced expectation of privacy because of the public's interest in public safety.

(d) In balancing the offenders' due process and other rights against the interests of public security, the Legislature finds that releasing information about sex offenders under the circumstances specified in this act will further the primary government interest of protecting vulnerable populations from potential harm.

(e) The registration of sex offenders, the public release of specified information about certain sex offenders pursuant to Sections 290 and 290.4 of the Penal Code, and public notice of the presence of certain high-risk sexual offenders in communities will further the governmental interests of public safety and public scrutiny of the criminal and mental health systems that deal with these offenders.

(f) To protect the safety and general welfare of the people of this state, it is necessary to provide for continued registration of sex offenders, for the public release of specified information regarding certain more serious sex offenders, and for community notification regarding high-risk sex offenders who are about to be released from custody or who already reside in communities in this state. This policy of authorizing the release of necessary and relevant information



about serious and high-risk sex offenders to members of the general public is a means of assuring public protection and shall not be construed as punitive.

(g) The Legislature also declares, however, that in making information available about certain sex offenders to the public, it does not intend that the information be used to inflict retribution or additional punishment on any such person convicted of a sexual offense. While the Legislature is aware of the possibility of misuse, it finds that the dangers to the public of nondisclosure far outweigh the risk of possible misuse of the information. The Legislature is further aware of studies in Oregon and Washington indicating that community notification laws and public release of similar information in those states have resulted in little criminal misuse of the information and that the enhancement to public safety has been significant.

SEC. 2. Section 290 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

290. (a) (1) Every person described in paragraph (2), for the rest of his or her life while residing in California, shall be required to register with the chief of police of the city in which he or she is domiciled, or the sheriff of the county if he or she is domiciled in an unincorporated area, and, additionally, with the chief of police of a campus of the University of California or the California State University if he or she is domiciled upon the campus or in any of its facilities, within 14 days of coming into any city, county, or city and county in which he or she temporarily resides or is domiciled for that length of time. The person shall be required annually thereafter, within 10 days of his or her birthday, to update his or her registration with the entities described in this paragraph, including, verifying his or her address on a form as may be required by the Department of Justice.

(2) The following persons shall be required to register pursuant to paragraph (1):

(A) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or is hereafter convicted in any court in this state or in any federal or military court of a violation of subdivision (b) of Section 207, kidnapping, as punishable pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 208, Section 220, except assault to commit mayhem, Section 243.4, paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), or (6) of subdivision (a) of Section 261 or paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 262 involving the use of force or violence for which the person is sentenced to the state prison, Section 264.1, 266, 266c, 266j, 267, 285, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, or 289, subdivision (b), (c), or (d) of Section 311.2, Section 311.3, 311.4, 311.10, 311.11, or 647.6, former Section 647a, subdivision (d) of Section 647, subdivision 1 or 2 of Section 314, any offense involving lewd and lascivious conduct under Section 272, or any felony violation of Section 288.2; or any person who since that date has been or is hereafter convicted of the attempt to commit any of the above-mentioned offenses.



(B) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or hereafter is released, discharged, or paroled from a penal institution where he or she was confined because of the commission or attempted commission of one of the offenses described in subparagraph (A).

(C) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or hereafter is determined to be a mentally disordered sex offender under Article 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(D) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been, or is hereafter convicted in any other court, including any federal or military court, of any offense which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in subparagraph (A).

(E) Any person ordered by any court to register pursuant to this section for any offense not included specifically in this section if the court finds at the time of conviction that the person committed the offense as a result of sexual compulsion or for purposes of sexual gratification. The court shall state on the record the reasons for its findings and the reasons for requiring registration.

(b) Any person who, after August 1, 1950, is released, discharged, or paroled from a jail, state or federal prison, school, road camp, or other institution where he or she was confined because of the commission or attempted commission of one of the offenses specified in subdivision (a) or is released from a state hospital to which he or she was committed as a mentally disordered sex offender under Article 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, shall, prior to discharge, parole, or release, be informed of his or her duty to register under this section by the official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital, and the official shall require the person to read and sign any form that may be required by the Department of Justice, stating that the duty of the person to register under this section has been explained to the person. The official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital shall obtain the address where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release and shall report the address to the Department of Justice. The official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital shall give one copy of the form to the person and shall send one copy to the Department of Justice and one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having jurisdiction over the place the person expects to reside upon discharge, parole, or release. If the conviction that makes the person subject to this section is a felony conviction, the official in charge shall, not later than 45 days prior to the scheduled release of the person, send one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction where the person expects to reside upon discharge, parole, or release; one copy to the prosecuting agency that prosecuted the person; and one copy to the



Department of Justice. The official in charge of the place of confinement shall retain one copy.

(c) Any person who, after August 1, 1950, is convicted in this state of the commission or attempted commission of any of the offenses specified in subdivision (a) and who is released on probation or discharged upon payment of a fine shall, prior to release or discharge, be informed of the duty to register under this section by the court in which the person has been convicted, and the court shall require the person to read and sign any form that may be required by the Department of Justice, stating that the duty of the person to register under this section has been explained to him or her. The court shall obtain the address where the person expects to reside upon release or discharge and shall report within three days the address to the Department of Justice. The court shall give one copy of the form to the person, send one copy to the Department of Justice, and forward one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release.

(d) (1) Any person who, on or after January 1, 1986, is discharged or paroled from the Department of the Youth Authority to the custody of which he or she was committed after having been adjudicated a ward of the court pursuant to Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code because of the commission or attempted commission of the offenses described in paragraph (3) shall be subject to registration under the procedures of this section.

(2) Any person who, on or after January 1, 1995, is discharged or paroled from a facility in another state that is equivalent to the Department of the Youth Authority, to the custody of which he or she was committed because of an offense which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in paragraphs (3) and (4), shall be subject to registration under the procedures of this section.

(3) The following offenses shall apply for the purpose of this subdivision:

(A) Assault with intent to commit rape, sodomy, oral copulation, or any violation of Section 264.1, 288, or 289 under Section 220.

(B) Any offense defined in Section 288 or 288.5, paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of, or subdivision (c) or (d) of, Section 286, paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of, or subdivision (c) or (d) of, Section 288a, paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 261, subdivision (a) of Section 289, subdivision (b) of Section 207, or kidnapping, as punishable pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 208.

(C) Any offense under Section 264.1 involving rape in concert with force or fear of bodily injury or penetration by any foreign object in concert with force or fear of bodily injury.

(4) Any person who is discharged or paroled from the Department of the Youth Authority to the custody of which he or she

was committed after having been adjudicated a ward of the court pursuant to Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code because of the commission or attempted commission of the offense set forth in Section 647.6, occurring on or after January 1, 1988, shall be subject to registration under the procedures of this section.

(5) Prior to discharge or parole from the Department of the Youth Authority, any person who is subject to registration shall be informed of the duty to register under the procedures set forth in this section. Department of the Youth Authority officials shall transmit the required forms and information to the Department of Justice.

(6) All records specifically relating to the registration in the custody of the Department of Justice, law enforcement agencies, and other agencies or public officials shall be destroyed when the person who is required to register or has his or her records sealed under the procedures set forth in Section 781 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. This subdivision shall not be construed as requiring the destruction of other criminal offender or juvenile records relating to the case which are maintained by the Department of Justice, law enforcement agencies, the juvenile court, or other agencies and public officials unless ordered by a court under Section 781 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(e) (1) The registration shall consist of the following:

(A) A statement in writing signed by the person, giving information as may be required by the Department of Justice.

(B) The fingerprints and photograph of the person.

(C) The license plate number of any vehicle owned by or registered in the name of the person.

(2) Within three days thereafter, the registering law enforcement agency or agencies shall forward the statement, fingerprints, photograph, and vehicle license plate number, if any, to the Department of Justice.

(f) If any person who is required to register pursuant to this section changes his or her residence address, the person shall inform, in writing within 10 days, the law enforcement agency or agencies with whom he or she last registered of the new address. The law enforcement agency or agencies shall, within three days after receipt of this information, forward it to the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice shall forward appropriate registration data to the law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction of the new place of residence.

(g) (1) Any person who is required to register under this section based on a misdemeanor conviction who willfully violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), any person who has been convicted of assault with intent to commit rape, oral copulation, or sodomy under Section 220, any violation of Section 264.1 or 289 under

Section 220, any violation of Section 261, any offense defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 262 involving the use of force or violence for which the person is sentenced to state prison, any violation of Section 264.1, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, or 289, subdivision (b) of Section 207, or kidnapping, as punishable pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 208, and who is required to register under this section who willfully violates this section is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months, or two or three years.

(3) Any person required to register under this section based on a felony conviction who willfully violates this section or who has a prior conviction for the offense of failing to register under this section and who subsequently and willfully commits that offense is, upon each subsequent conviction, guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or two or three years.

A person punished pursuant to this paragraph or paragraph (2) shall be sentenced to serve a term of not less than 90 days nor more than one year in a county jail. In no event does the court have the power to absolve a person who willfully violates this section from the obligation of spending at least 90 days of confinement in a county jail and of completing probation of at least one year.

If the person has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment in the state prison, the penalty described in this paragraph shall apply whether or not the person has been released on parole or has been discharged from parole.

(4) If, after discharge from parole, the person is convicted of a felony as specified in this subdivision, he or she shall be required to complete parole of at least one year, in addition to any other punishment imposed under this subdivision. A person convicted of a felony as specified in this subdivision may be granted probation only in the unusual case where the interests of justice would best be served. When probation is granted under this paragraph, the court shall specify on the record and shall enter into the minutes the circumstances indicating that the interests of justice would best be served by the disposition.

(h) Whenever any person is released on parole or probation and is required to register under this section but fails to do so within the time prescribed, the parole authority, the Youthful Offender Parole Board, or the court, as the case may be, shall order the parole or probation of the person revoked. For purposes of this subdivision, "parole authority" has the same meaning as described in Section 3000.

(i) Except as provided in subdivisions (m) and (n) and Section 290.4, the statements, photographs, and fingerprints required by this section shall not be open to inspection by the public or by any person other than a regularly employed peace officer or other law enforcement officer.

(j) In any case in which a person who would be required to register pursuant to this section for a felony conviction is to be temporarily sent outside the institution where he or she is confined on any assignment within a city or county including firefighting, disaster control, or of whatever nature the assignment may be, the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the place or places where the assignment shall occur shall be notified within a reasonable time prior to removal from the institution. This provision shall not apply to any person who is temporarily released under guard from the institution where he or she is confined.

(k) As used in this section, “mentally disordered sex offender” includes any person who has been determined to be a sexual psychopath or a mentally disordered sex offender under any provision which, on or before January 1, 1976, was contained in Division 6 (commencing with Section 6000) of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(l) Every person who, prior to January 1, 1985, is required to register under this section, shall be notified whenever he or she next reregisters of the reduction of the registration period from 30 to 14 days. This notice shall be provided in writing by the registering agency or agencies. Failure to receive this notification shall be a defense against the penalties prescribed by subdivision (g) if the person did register within 30 days.

(m) (1) When a peace officer reasonably suspects, based on information that has come to his or her attention through information provided by any peace officer or member of the public, that a child or other person may be at risk from a sex offender convicted of a crime listed in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 290.4, a law enforcement agency may, notwithstanding any other provision of law, provide any of the information specified in paragraph (2) of this subdivision about that registered sex offender that the agency deems relevant and necessary to protect the public, to the following persons, agencies, or organizations the offender is likely to encounter, including, but not limited to, the following:

(A) Public and private educational institutions, day care establishments, and establishments and organizations that primarily serve individuals likely to be victimized by the offender.

(B) Other community members at risk.

(2) The information that may be disclosed pursuant to this section includes the following:

(A) The offender’s full name.

(B) The offender’s known aliases.

(C) The offender’s gender.

(D) The offender’s race.

(E) The offender’s physical description.

(F) The offender’s photograph.

(G) The offender’s date of birth.



(H) Crimes resulting in registration under this section.

(I) The offender's address, which must be verified prior to publication.

(J) Description and license plate number of offender's vehicles or vehicles the offender is known to drive.

(K) Type of victim targeted by the offender.

(L) Relevant parole or probation conditions, such as one prohibiting contact with children.

(M) Dates of crimes resulting in classification under this section.

(N) Date of release from confinement.

However, information disclosed pursuant to this subdivision shall not include information that would identify the victim.

(3) If a law enforcement agency discloses information pursuant to this subdivision, it shall include, with the disclosure, a statement that the purpose of the release of the information is to allow members of the public to protect themselves and their children from sex offenders.

(4) For purposes of this section, "likely to encounter" means (A) that the agencies, organizations, or other community members are in a location or in close proximity to a location where the offender lives or is employed, or that the offender visits or is likely to visit on a regular basis, and (B) the types of interaction that ordinarily occur at that location and other circumstances indicate that contact with the offender is reasonably probable.

(5) For purposes of this section, "reasonably suspects" means that it is objectively reasonable for a peace officer to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his or her training and experience, to suspect that a child or other person is at risk.

(6) For purposes of this section, "at risk" means a person is or may be exposed to a risk of becoming a victim of a sex offense committed by the offender.

(7) Law enforcement agency may continue to disclose information on an offender under this subdivision for as long as the offender is included in Section 290.4.

(n) In addition to the procedures set forth elsewhere in this section, a law enforcement agency may advise the public of the presence of high-risk sex offenders in its community pursuant to this subdivision.

(1) For purposes of this subdivision:

(A) A high-risk sex offender is a person who has been convicted of an offense for which registration is required under paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) and also meets one of the following criteria:

(i) Has been convicted of three or more violent sex offenses, at least two of which were brought and tried separately.

(ii) Has been convicted of two violent sex offenses and one or more violent nonsex offenses, at least two of which were brought and tried separately.

(iii) Has been convicted of one violent sex offense and two or more violent nonsex offenses, at least two of which were brought and tried separately.

(iv) Has been convicted of either two violent sex offenses or one violent sex offense and one violent nonsex offense, at least two of which were brought and tried separately, and has been arrested on separate occasions for three or more violent sex offenses, violent nonsex offenses, or associated offenses.

(B) A violent sex offense means any offense defined in Section 220, except attempt to commit mayhem, 261, 264.1, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, 289, or 647.6, or infliction of great bodily injury during the commission of a sex offense, as provided in Section 12022.8.

(C) A violent nonsex offense means any offense defined in Section 187, subdivision (a) of Section 192, 203, 206, 207, 236, provided that the offense is a felony, subdivision (a) of Section 273a, 273d, or 451, or attempted murder, as defined in Sections 187 and 664.

(D) An associated offense means any offense defined in Section 243.4, provided that the offense is a felony, Section 311.1, 311.2, 311.3, 311.4, 311.5, 311.6, 311.7, 314, 459, provided the offense is of the first degree, 597, 646.9, subdivision (d), (h), or (i) of Section 647, 653m, or infliction of great bodily injury during the commission of a felony, as defined in Section 12022.7.

(E) For purposes of subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, an arrest or conviction for the statutory predecessor of any of the enumerated offenses, or an arrest or conviction in any other jurisdiction for any offense which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in those subparagraphs, is to be considered in determining whether an offender is a high-risk sex offender.

(F) For purposes of subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, an arrest as a juvenile or an adjudication as a ward of the juvenile court within the meaning of Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code for any of the offenses described in those subparagraphs is to be considered in determining whether an offender is a high-risk sex offender.

(G) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, an offender shall not be considered to be a high-risk sex offender if either of the following apply:

(i) The offender's most recent conviction or arrest for an offense described in subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, occurred more than five years prior to the high-risk assessment by the Department of Justice, excluding periods of confinement.

(ii) The offender notifies the Department of Justice, on a form approved by the department and available at any sheriff's office, that

he or she has not been convicted in the preceding 15 years, excluding periods of confinement, of an offense for which registration is required under paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), and the department is able, upon exercise of reasonable diligence, to verify the information provided in paragraph (2).

(H) “Confinement” means confinement in a jail, prison, school, road camp, or other penal institution, confinement in a state hospital to which the offender was committed as a mentally disordered sex offender under Article 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, or confinement in a facility designated by the Director of Mental Health to which the offender was committed as a sexually violent predator under Article 4 (commencing with Section 6600) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(I) “Law enforcement agency” means any of the following: municipal police department; sheriff’s department; district attorney’s office; county probation department; Department of Justice; Department of Corrections; Department of the Youth Authority; Department of the California Highway Patrol; or the police department of any state university, state college, or community college.

(2) The Department of Justice shall continually search the records provided to it pursuant to subdivision (b) and identify, on the basis of those records, high-risk sex offenders. Four times each year, the department shall provide to each chief of police and sheriff in the state, and to any other law enforcement agency upon request, the following information regarding each identified high-risk sexual offender: full name; known aliases; gender; race; physical description; photograph; date of birth; and crimes resulting in classification under this section.

(3) The Department of Justice and any law enforcement agency to which notice has been given pursuant to paragraph (2) may cause to be made public, by whatever means the agency deems necessary to ensure the public safety, based upon information available to the agency concerning a specific person, including, but not limited to, the information described in paragraph (2); the offender’s address, which shall be verified prior to publication; description and license plate number of the vehicles or vehicles the offender is known to drive; type of victim targeted by the offender; relevant parole or probation conditions, such as one prohibiting contact with children; dates of crimes resulting in classification under this section; and date of release from confinement; but excluding information that would identify the victim.

(o) Agencies disseminating information to the public pursuant to subdivision (a) shall maintain records of the offender and the means and dates of dissemination for a minimum of five years.

(p) Law enforcement agencies, employees of law enforcement agencies, and state officials shall be immune from liability for good faith conduct under this section.

(q) Any person who uses information disclosed pursuant to this section to commit a felony shall be punished, in addition and consecutive to any other punishment, by a five-year term of imprisonment in the state prison. Any person who uses information disclosed pursuant to this section to commit a misdemeanor shall be subject to, in addition to any other penalty or fine imposed, a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) and not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

(r) The registration and public notification provisions of this section are applicable to every person described in these sections, without regard to when his or her crimes were committed or his or her duty to register pursuant to this section arose, and to every offense described in these sections, regardless of when it was committed.

SEC. 2.5. Section 290 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

290. (a) (1) Every person described in paragraph (2), for the rest of his or her life while residing in California, shall be required to register with the chief of police of the city in which he or she is domiciled, or the sheriff of the county if he or she is domiciled in an unincorporated area, and, additionally, with the chief of police of a campus of the University of California or the California State University if he or she is domiciled upon the campus or in any of its facilities, within five working days of coming into any city, county, or city and county in which he or she temporarily resides or is domiciled for that length of time. The person shall be required annually thereafter, within five working days of his or her birthday, to update his or her registration with the entities described in this paragraph, including, verifying his or her name and address on a form as may be required by the Department of Justice.

(2) The following persons shall be required to register pursuant to paragraph (1):

(A) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or is hereafter convicted in any court in this state or in any federal or military court of a violation of subdivision (b) of Section 207, kidnapping, as punishable pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 208, Section 220, except assault to commit mayhem, Section 243.4, paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), or (6) of subdivision (a) of Section 261 or paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 262 involving the use of force or violence for which the person is sentenced to the state prison, Section 264.1, 266, 266c, 266j, 267, 285, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, or 289, subdivision (b), (c), or (d) of Section 311.2, Section 311.3, 311.4, 311.10, 311.11, or 647.6, former Section 647a, subdivision (d) of Section 647, subdivision 1 or 2 of Section 314, any offense involving lewd and lascivious conduct under Section 272, or any felony violation of Section 288.2;



or any person who since that date has been or is hereafter convicted of the attempt to commit any of the above-mentioned offenses.

(B) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or hereafter is released, discharged, or paroled from a penal institution where he or she was confined because of the commission or attempted commission of one of the offenses described in subparagraph (A).

(C) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or hereafter is determined to be a mentally disordered sex offender under Article 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(D) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been, or is hereafter convicted in any other court, including any federal or military court, of any offense which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in subparagraph (A).

(E) Any person ordered by any court to register pursuant to this section for any offense not included specifically in this section if the court finds at the time of conviction that the person committed the offense as a result of sexual compulsion or for purposes of sexual gratification. The court shall state on the record the reasons for its findings and the reasons for requiring registration.

(b) Any person who, after August 1, 1950, is released, discharged, or paroled from a jail, state or federal prison, school, road camp, or other institution where he or she was confined because of the commission or attempted commission of one of the offenses specified in subdivision (a) or is released from a state hospital to which he or she was committed as a mentally disordered sex offender under Article 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, shall, prior to discharge, parole, or release, be informed of his or her duty to register under this section by the official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital, and the official shall require the person to read and sign any form that may be required by the Department of Justice, stating that the duty of the person to register under this section has been explained to the person. The official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital shall obtain the address where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release and shall report the address to the Department of Justice. The official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital shall give one copy of the form to the person and shall send one copy to the Department of Justice and one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having jurisdiction over the place the person expects to reside upon discharge, parole, or release. If the conviction that makes the person subject to this section is a felony conviction, the official in charge shall, not later than 45 days prior to the scheduled release of the person, send one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction where the person

expects to reside upon discharge, parole, or release; one copy to the prosecuting agency that prosecuted the person; and one copy to the Department of Justice. The official in charge of the place of confinement shall retain one copy.

(c) Any person who, after August 1, 1950, is convicted in this state of the commission or attempted commission of any of the offenses specified in subdivision (a) and who is released on probation or discharged upon payment of a fine shall, prior to release or discharge, be informed of the duty to register under this section by the court in which the person has been convicted, and the court shall require the person to read and sign any form that may be required by the Department of Justice, stating that the duty of the person to register under this section has been explained to him or her. The court shall obtain the address where the person expects to reside upon release or discharge and shall report within three days the address to the Department of Justice. The court shall give one copy of the form to the person, send one copy to the Department of Justice, and forward one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release.

(d) (1) Any person who, on or after January 1, 1986, is discharged or paroled from the Department of the Youth Authority to the custody of which he or she was committed after having been adjudicated a ward of the court pursuant to Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code because of the commission or attempted commission of any offense described in paragraph (3) shall be subject to registration under the procedures of this section. Any person who, on or after January, 1997, has been adjudicated a ward of the court pursuant to Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code because of the commission or attempted commission of any offense described in paragraph (3) shall be subject to registration, upon completion of formal probation and subject to paragraphs (8), (9), and (10), under the procedures of this section regardless of the disposition of the case. Notice of this requirement shall be given to the person at the offender disposition hearing.

(2) Any person who, on or after January 1, 1995, is discharged or paroled from a facility in another state that is equivalent to the Department of the Youth Authority, to the custody of which he or she was committed because of an offense which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in paragraphs (3) and (4), shall be subject to registration under the procedures of this section.

Any juvenile who, on or after January 1, 1996, is found guilty of an offense in another state, which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in paragraph (3), shall be subject to registration under the



procedures of this section regardless of the disposition of the case, subject to paragraphs (8), (9), and (10).

(3) The following offenses shall apply for the purpose of this subdivision:

(A) Assault with intent to commit rape, sodomy, oral copulation, or any violation of Section 264.1, 288, or 289 under Section 220.

(B) Any offense defined in Section 288 or 288.5, paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of, or subdivision (c) or (d) of, Section 286, paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of, or subdivision (c) or (d) of, Section 288a, paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 261, subdivision (a) of Section 289, subdivision (b) of Section 207, or kidnapping, as punishable pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 208.

(C) Any offense under Section 264.1 involving rape in concert with force or fear of bodily injury or penetration by any foreign object in concert with force or fear of bodily injury.

(4) Any person who is discharged or paroled from the Department of the Youth Authority to the custody of which he or she was committed after having been adjudicated a ward of the court pursuant to Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code because of the commission or attempted commission of the offense set forth in Section 647.6, occurring on or after January 1, 1988, shall be subject to registration under the procedures of this section.

(5) Prior to discharge or parole from the Department of the Youth Authority, or at the offender disposition hearing, as provided in this subdivision, any person who is subject to registration shall be informed of the duty to register, and the possible exemption from registration, if applicable, under the procedures set forth in this section. Department of the Youth Authority officials shall transmit the required forms and information to the Department of Justice.

(6) All records specifically relating to the registration in the custody of the Department of Justice, law enforcement agencies, and other agencies or public officials shall be destroyed when the person who is required to register or has his or her records sealed under the procedures set forth in Section 781 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. This subdivision shall not be construed as requiring the destruction of other criminal offender or juvenile records relating to the case which are maintained by the Department of Justice, law enforcement agencies, the juvenile court, or other agencies and public officials unless ordered by a court under Section 781 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(7) A person required to register pursuant to this subdivision, who has not been committed by the juvenile court to the custody of the Department of the Youth Authority, shall be required to register only until he or she attains the age of 25 years.

(8) Subject to the conditions set forth in paragraph (9), the juvenile court may exempt from the registration requirements of this subdivision a person who has not been committed to the custody of

the Department of the Youth Authority if the court, after considering the recommendations of the district attorney, the probation department, the person seeking the exemption, any treatment program or clinical provider that has treated or assessed the person seeking the exemption, and any other person deemed by the court to have information relevant to its decision, finds all of the following:

(A) The person poses no substantial risk of repeating the sex offense for which he or she was adjudicated a ward of the court, or of committing any sex offense, as evidenced by any of the following:

(i) The successful completion of a sex offender treatment program.

(ii) Corroboration of the person's rehabilitation as a sex offender by means of a clinical, psychiatric, or psychological evaluation.

(iii) Any other relevant evidence.

(B) The exemption would facilitate the eligibility or competitiveness of the person seeking the exemption to be considered for employment, educational, or vocational opportunities for which the person otherwise would qualify and that the person otherwise would pursue, including, but not limited to, the United States military or the Job Corps.

(C) The person has not been adjudged to have committed, nor been convicted of committing, any sexual or violent offense subsequent to being adjudged a ward of the court for committing any offense for which the person is subject to the registration requirements of this subdivision.

(9) Any exemption granted pursuant to paragraph (8) shall be conditioned upon the exempted person's acceptance into and continuing participation in an employment, educational, or vocational opportunity pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (8), and may be revoked by the juvenile court, upon notice and a hearing, if the person is not accepted into, is terminated from, or otherwise is not participating in, the opportunity, or if the person is adjudged to have committed or been convicted of a sex offense subsequent to having been exempted from registration pursuant to this subdivision.

(10) Any person granted an exemption pursuant to this subdivision shall notify the juvenile court within 10 days if the person is not accepted into, is terminated from, or otherwise is not participating in, the employment, educational, or vocational program upon which an exemption to the registration requirements of this subdivision was based. Any person whose exemption has been revoked for reasons beyond their control, and not as a result of misconduct, may reapply for an extension based on the conditions set forth in this subdivision.

(e) (1) The registration shall consist of the following:

(A) A statement in writing signed by the person, giving information as may be required by the Department of Justice.





(B) The fingerprints and photograph of the person.

(C) The license plate number of any vehicle owned by or registered in the name of the person.

(2) Within three days thereafter, the registering law enforcement agency or agencies shall forward the statement, fingerprints, photograph, and vehicle license plate number, if any, to the Department of Justice.

(f) If any person who is required to register pursuant to this section changes his or her name or residence address, the person shall inform, in writing within five working days, the law enforcement agency or agencies with whom he or she last registered of the new name or address. The law enforcement agency or agencies shall, within three days after receipt of this information, forward it to the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice shall forward appropriate registration data to the law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction of the new place of residence.

(g) (1) Any person who is required to register under this section based on a misdemeanor conviction who willfully violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), any person who has been convicted of assault with intent to commit rape, oral copulation, or sodomy under Section 220, any violation of Section 264.1 or 289 under Section 220, any violation of Section 261, any offense defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 262 involving the use of force or violence for which the person is sentenced to state prison, any violation of Section 264.1, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, or 289, subdivision (b) of Section 207, or kidnapping, as punishable pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 208, and who is required to register under this section who willfully violates this section is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months, or two or three years.

(3) Any person required to register under this section based on a felony conviction who willfully violates this section or who has a prior conviction for the offense of failing to register under this section and who subsequently and willfully commits that offense is, upon each subsequent conviction, guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or two or three years.

A person punished pursuant to this paragraph or paragraph (2) shall be sentenced to serve a term of not less than 90 days nor more than one year in a county jail. In no event does the court have the power to absolve a person who willfully violates this section from the obligation of spending at least 90 days of confinement in a county jail and of completing probation of at least one year.

If the person has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment in the state prison, the penalty described in this paragraph shall apply

whether or not the person has been released on parole or has been discharged from parole.

(4) If, after discharge from parole, the person is convicted of a felony as specified in this subdivision, he or she shall be required to complete parole of at least one year, in addition to any other punishment imposed under this subdivision. A person convicted of a felony as specified in this subdivision may be granted probation only in the unusual case where the interests of justice would best be served. When probation is granted under this paragraph, the court shall specify on the record and shall enter into the minutes the circumstances indicating that the interests of justice would best be served by the disposition.

(h) Whenever any person is released on parole or probation and is required to register under this section but fails to do so within the time prescribed, the parole authority, the Youthful Offender Parole Board, or the court, as the case may be, shall order the parole or probation of the person revoked. For purposes of this subdivision, “parole authority” has the same meaning as described in Section 3000.

(i) Except as provided in Section 290.4, the statements, photographs, and fingerprints required by this section shall not be open to inspection by the public or by any person other than a regularly employed peace officer or other law enforcement officer.

(j) In any case in which a person who would be required to register pursuant to this section for a felony conviction is to be temporarily sent outside the institution where he or she is confined on any assignment within a city or county including firefighting, disaster control, or of whatever nature the assignment may be, the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the place or places where the assignment shall occur shall be notified within a reasonable time prior to removal from the institution. This provision shall not apply to any person who is temporarily released under guard from the institution where he or she is confined.

(k) As used in this section, “mentally disordered sex offender” includes any person who has been determined to be a sexual psychopath or a mentally disordered sex offender under any provision which, on or before January 1, 1976, was contained in Division 6 (commencing with Section 6000) of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(l) (1) Every person who, prior to January 1, 1985, is required to register under this section, shall be notified whenever he or she next reregisters of the reduction of the registration period from 30 to 14 days. This notice shall be provided in writing by the registering agency or agencies. Failure to receive this notification shall be a defense against the penalties prescribed by subdivision (g) if the person did register within 30 days.

(2) Every person who, prior to January 1, 1997, is required to register under this section, shall be notified whenever he or she next reregisters of the reduction of the registration period from 14 to five working days. This notice shall be provided in writing by the registering agency or agencies. Failure to receive this notification shall be a defense against the penalties prescribed by subdivision (g) if the person did register within 14 days.

(m) (1) When a peace officer reasonably suspects, based on information that has come to his or her attention through information provided by any peace officer or member of the public, that a child or other person may be at risk from a sex offender convicted of a crime listed in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 290.4, a law enforcement agency may, notwithstanding any other provision of law, provide any of the information specified in paragraph (2) of this subdivision about that registered sex offender that the agency deems relevant and necessary to protect the public, to the following persons, agencies, or organizations the offender is likely to encounter, including, but not limited to, the following:

(A) Public and private educational institutions, day care establishments, and establishments and organizations that primarily serve individuals likely to be victimized by the offender.

(B) Other community members at risk.

(2) The information that may be disclosed pursuant to this section includes the following:

(A) The offender's full name.

(B) The offender's known aliases.

(C) The offender's gender.

(D) The offender's race.

(E) The offender's physical description.

(F) The offender's photograph.

(G) The offender's date of birth.

(H) Crimes resulting in registration under this section.

(I) The offender's address, which must be verified prior to publication.

(J) Description and license plate number of offender's vehicles or vehicles the offender is known to drive.

(K) Type of victim targeted by the offender.

(L) Relevant parole or probation conditions, such as one prohibiting contact with children.

(M) Dates of crimes resulting in classification under this section.

(N) Date of release from confinement.

However, information disclosed pursuant to this subdivision shall not include information that would identify the victim.

(3) If a law enforcement agency discloses information pursuant to this subdivision, it shall include, with the disclosure, a statement that the purpose of the release of the information is to allow members of

the public to protect themselves and their children from sex offenders.

(4) For purposes of this section, “likely to encounter” means (A) that the agencies, organizations, or other community members are in a location or in close proximity to a location where the offender lives or is employed, or that the offender visits or is likely to visit on a regular basis, and (B) the types of interaction that ordinarily occur at that location and other circumstances indicate that contact with the offender is reasonably probable.

(5) For purposes of this section, “reasonably suspects” means that it is objectively reasonable for a peace officer to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his or her training and experience, to suspect that a child or other person is at risk.

(6) For purposes of this section, “at risk” means a person is or may be exposed to a risk of becoming a victim of a sex offense committed by the offender.

(7) Law enforcement agency may continue to disclose information on an offender under this subdivision for as long as the offender is included in Section 290.4.

(n) In addition to the procedures set forth elsewhere in this section, a law enforcement agency may advise the public of the presence of high-risk sex offenders in its community pursuant to this subdivision.

(1) For purposes of this subdivision:

(A) A high-risk sex offender is a person who has been convicted of an offense for which registration is required under paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) and also meets one of the following criteria:

(i) Has been convicted of three or more violent sex offenses, at least two of which were brought and tried separately.

(ii) Has been convicted of two violent sex offenses and one or more violent nonsex offenses, at least two of which were brought and tried separately.

(iii) Has been convicted of one violent sex offense and two or more violent nonsex offenses, at least two of which were brought and tried separately.

(iv) Has been convicted of either two violent sex offenses or one violent sex offense and one violent nonsex offense, at least two of which were brought and tried separately, and has been arrested on separate occasions for three or more violent sex offenses, violent nonsex offenses, or associated offenses.

(B) A violent sex offense means any offense defined in Section 220, except attempt to commit mayhem, 261, 264.1, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, 289, or 647.6, or infliction of great bodily injury during the commission of a sex offense, as provided in Section 12022.8.

(C) A violent nonsex offense means any offense defined in Section 187, subdivision (a) of Section 192, 203, 206, 207, 236, provided that



the offense is a felony, subdivision (a) of Section 273a, 273d, or 451, or attempted murder, as defined in Sections 187 and 664.

(D) An associated offense means any offense defined in Section 243.4, provided that the offense is a felony, Section 311.1, 311.2, 311.3, 311.4, 311.5, 311.6, 311.7, 314, 459, provided the offense is of the first degree, 597, 646.9, subdivision (d), (h), or (i) of Section 647, 653m, or infliction of great bodily injury during the commission of a felony, as defined in Section 12022.7.

(E) For purposes of subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, an arrest or conviction for the statutory predecessor of any of the enumerated offenses, or an arrest or conviction in any other jurisdiction for any offense which, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in those subparagraphs, is to be considered in determining whether an offender is a high-risk sex offender.

(F) For purposes of subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, an arrest as a juvenile or an adjudication as a ward of the juvenile court within the meaning of Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code for any of the offenses described in those subparagraphs is to be considered in determining whether an offender is a high-risk sex offender.

(G) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, an offender shall not be considered to be a high-risk sex offender if either of the following apply:

(i) The offender's most recent conviction or arrest for an offense described in subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, occurred more than five years prior to the high-risk assessment by the Department of Justice, excluding periods of confinement.

(ii) The offender notifies the Department of Justice, on a form approved by the department and available at any sheriff's office, that he or she has not been convicted in the preceding 15 years, excluding periods of confinement, of an offense for which registration is required under paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), and the department is able, upon exercise of reasonable diligence, to verify the information provided in paragraph (2).

(H) "Confinement" means confinement in a jail, prison, school, road camp, or other penal institution, confinement in a state hospital to which the offender was committed as a mentally disordered sex offender under Article 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, or confinement in a facility designated by the Director of Mental Health to which the offender was committed as a sexually violent predator under Article 4 (commencing with Section 6600) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(I) "Law enforcement agency" means any of the following: municipal police department; sheriff's department; district attorney's office; county probation department; Department of

Justice; Department of Corrections; Department of the Youth Authority; Department of the California Highway Patrol; or the police department of any state university, state college, or community college.

(2) The Department of Justice shall continually search the records provided to it pursuant to subdivision (b) and identify, on the basis of those records, high-risk sex offenders. Four times each year, the department shall provide to each chief of police and sheriff in the state, and to any other law enforcement agency upon request, the following information regarding each identified high-risk sexual offender: full name; known aliases; gender; race; physical description; photograph; date of birth; and crimes resulting in classification under this section.

(3) The Department of Justice and any law enforcement agency to which notice has been given pursuant to paragraph (2) may cause to be made public, by whatever means the agency deems necessary to ensure the public safety, based upon information available to the agency concerning a specific person, including, but not limited to, the information described in paragraph (2); the offender's address, which shall be verified prior to publication; description and license plate number of the vehicles or vehicles the offender is known to drive; type of victim targeted by the offender; relevant parole or probation conditions, such as one prohibiting contact with children; dates of crimes resulting in classification under this section; and date of release from confinement; but excluding information that would identify the victim.

(o) Agencies disseminating information to the public pursuant to subdivision (a) shall maintain records of the offender and the means and dates of dissemination for a minimum of five years.

(p) Law enforcement agencies, employees of law enforcement agencies, and state officials shall be immune from liability for good faith conduct under this section.

(q) Any person who uses information disclosed pursuant to this section to commit a felony shall be punished, in addition and consecutive to any other punishment, by a five-year term of imprisonment in the state prison. Any person who uses information disclosed pursuant to this section to commit a misdemeanor shall be subject to, in addition to any other penalty or fine imposed, a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) and not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

(r) The registration and public notification provisions of this section are applicable to every person described in these sections, without regard to when his or her crimes were committed or his or her duty to register pursuant to this section arose, and to every offense described in these sections, regardless of when it was committed.

SEC. 3. Section 290.4 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

290.4. (a) (1) The Department of Justice shall continually compile information as described in paragraph (2) regarding any person required to register under Section 290 for a conviction of subdivision (b) of Section 207; kidnapping, as punishable pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 208; Section 220, except assault to commit mayhem; Section 243.4, provided that the offense is a felony; paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), or (6) of subdivision (a) of Section 261 ; Section 264.1; Section 266 , provided that the offense is a felony; Section 266c, provided that the offense is a felony; Section 267 ; paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) , subdivision (c), (d), (f), (g), (i), (j), or (k) of Section 286 ; Section 288 ; paragraph (2) of subdivision (b), (c), (d), (f), (g), (i), (j), or (k) of Section 288a ; Section 288.5 ; subdivision (a), (b), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), provided that the offense is a felony, (i), or (j) of Section 289 ; Section 647.6 ; or the statutory predecessor of any of these offenses. This requirement shall not be applied to a person whose duty to register has been terminated pursuant to paragraphs (6) and (7) of subdivision (d) of Section 290, or to a person who has been relieved of his or her duty to register under Section 290.5.

(2) The information shall be categorized by community of residence and ZIP Code. The information shall include the names and known aliases of these persons, photograph, a physical description, gender, race, date of birth, the criminal history, and the address, including ZIP Code, in which the person resides, and any other information that the Department of Justice deems relevant, not including information that would identify the victim.

(3) The department shall operate a “900” telephone number that members of the public may call and inquire whether a named individual is listed among those described in this subdivision. The caller shall furnish his or her first name, middle initial, and last name. The department shall ascertain whether a named person reasonably appears to be a person so listed and provide the caller with the information described in paragraph (2), except the department shall not disclose the street address or criminal history of a person listed, except to disclose the ZIP Code area in which the person resides and to describe the specific crimes for which the registrant was required to register. The department shall decide whether the named person reasonably appears to be a person listed, based upon information from the caller providing information that shall include (A) an exact street address, including apartment number, social security number, California driver’s license or identification number, or birth date along with additional information that may include any of the following: name, hair color, eye color, height, weight, distinctive markings, ethnicity; or (B) any combination of at least six of the above listed characteristics if an exact birth date or address is not available. If three of the characteristics provided include ethnicity, hair color, and eye color, a seventh identifying characteristic shall be



provided. Any information identifying the victim by name, birth date, address, or relation to the registrant shall be excluded by the department.

(4) (A) On or before July 1, 1997, the department shall provide a CD-ROM or other electronic medium containing the information described in paragraph (2), except the person's street address and criminal history other than the specific crimes for which the person was required to register, for all persons described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), and shall distribute the CD-ROM or other electronic medium on a quarterly basis to the sheriff's department in each county, municipal police departments of cities with a population of more than 200,000, and each law enforcement agency listed in subparagraph (I) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (n) of Section 290. These law enforcement agencies may obtain additional copies by purchasing a yearly subscription to the CD-ROM or other electronic medium from the Department of Justice for a yearly subscription fee. The Department of Justice, the sheriff's departments, and the municipal police departments of cities with a population of more than 200,000 shall make, and the other law enforcement agencies may make the CD-ROM or other electronic medium available for viewing by the public in accordance with the following. The agency may require that a person applying to view the CD-ROM or other electronic medium express an articulable purpose in order to have access thereto. The applicant shall provide identification in the form of a California driver's license or California identification card, showing the applicant to be at least 18 years of age, shall sign a register, which the law enforcement agency is required to maintain, of persons applying to view the CD-ROM or other electronic medium, and shall sign a statement, on a form provided by the Department of Justice, stating that the applicant is not a registered sex offender, that he or she understands the purpose of the release of information is to allow members of the public to protect themselves and their children from sex offenders, and he or she understands it is unlawful to use information obtained from the CD-ROM or other electronic medium to commit a crime against any registrant or to engage in illegal discrimination or harassment of any registrant. The signed statement shall be maintained in a file in the law enforcement agency's office.

(B) The records of persons requesting to view the CD-ROM or other electronic medium are confidential, except that a copy of the applications requesting to view the CD-ROM or other electronic medium may be disclosed to law enforcement agencies for law enforcement purposes.

(C) Any information identifying the victim by name, birth date, address, or relationship to the registrant shall be excluded from the CD-ROM or other electronic medium.





(5) (A) The income from the operation of the “900” number shall be deposited in the Sexual Predator Public Information Account, which is hereby established within the Department of Justice for the purpose of the implementation of this section by the Department of Justice, including all actual and reasonable costs related to establishing and maintaining the information described in subdivision (a) and the CD-ROM or other electronic medium described in this subdivision.

(B) The moneys in the Sexual Predator Public Information Account shall consist of income from the operation of the “900” telephone number program authorized by this section, proceeds of the loan made pursuant to Section 6 of the act adding this section, and any other funds made available to the account by the Legislature. Moneys in the account shall be available to the Department of Justice upon appropriation by the Legislature for the purpose specified in subparagraph (A).

(C) When the “900” number is called, a preamble shall be played before charges begin to accrue. The preamble shall run at least the length of time required by federal law and shall provide the following information:

- (i) Notice that the caller’s telephone number will be recorded.
- (ii) The charges for use of the “900” number.
- (iii) Notice that the caller is required to identify himself or herself to the operator.
- (iv) Notice that the caller is required to be 18 years of age or older.
- (v) A warning that it is illegal to use information obtained through the “900” number to commit a crime against any registrant or to engage in illegal discrimination or harassment against any registrant.
- (vi) Notice that the caller is required to have the birth date, California driver’s license or identification number, social security number, or address or other identifying information regarding the person about whom information is sought in order to achieve a positive identification of that person.
- (vii) A statement that the number is not a crime hotline and that any suspected criminal activity should be reported to local authorities.
- (viii) A statement that the caller should have a reasonable suspicion that a person is at risk.

(D) The Department of Justice shall expend no more than six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) per year from any moneys appropriated by the Legislature from the account.

(b) (1) Any person who uses information disclosed pursuant to this section to commit a felony shall be punished, in addition and consecutive to, any other punishment, by a five-year term of imprisonment in the state prison.

(2) Any person who, without authorization, uses information disclosed pursuant to this section to commit a misdemeanor shall be

subject to, in addition to any other penalty or fine imposed, a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) and not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

(c) The record of the compilation of offender information on each CD-ROM or other electronic medium distributed pursuant to this section shall be used only for law enforcement purposes and the public safety purposes specified in this section and Section 290. This record shall not be distributed or removed from the custody of the law enforcement agency that is authorized to retain it. Information obtained from this record shall be disclosed to a member of the public only as provided in this section or Section 290, or any other statute expressly authorizing it.

Any person who copies, distributes, discloses, or receives this record or information from it, except as authorized by law, is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six months or by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or by both. This subdivision shall not apply to a law enforcement officer who makes a copy as part of his or her official duties in the course of a criminal investigation, court case, or as otherwise authorized by subdivision (n) of Section 290.

Notwithstanding Section 6254.5 of the Government Code, disclosure of information pursuant to this section is not a waiver of exemptions under Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Title 1 of Division 7 of the Government Code and does not affect other statutory restrictions on disclosure in other situations.

(d) Unauthorized removal or destruction of the CD-ROM or other electronic medium from the offices of any law enforcement agency is a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed one year or by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or both.

(e) (1) A person is authorized to use information disclosed pursuant to this section only to protect a person at risk.

This section shall not affect authorized access to, or use of, information pursuant to, among other provisions, Sections 11105 and 11105.3 of this code, Section 226.55 of the Civil Code, Sections 777.5 and 14409.2 of the Financial Code, Sections 1522.01 and 1596.871 of the Health and Safety Code, and Section 432.7 of the Labor Code.

(2) Except as authorized under paragraph (1) or any other provision of law, use of any of the following information disclosed pursuant to this section is prohibited:

- (A) Health insurance.
- (B) Insurance.
- (C) Loans.
- (D) Credit.
- (E) Employment.
- (F) Education, scholarships, or fellowships.
- (G) Housing or accommodations.



(H) Benefits, privileges, or services provided by any business establishment.

(3) (A) Any use of information disclosed pursuant to this section for purposes other than those provided by paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) or in violation of paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) shall make the user liable for the actual damages, and any amount that may be determined by a jury or a court sitting without a jury, not exceeding three times the amount of actual damage, and not less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250), and attorney's fees, exemplary damages, or a civil penalty not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

(B) Whenever there is reasonable cause to believe that any person or group of persons is engaged in a pattern or practice of misuse of the "900" number in violation of paragraph (2) of subdivision (e), the Attorney General, any district attorney, or city attorney, or any person aggrieved by the misuse of that number is authorized to bring a civil action in the appropriate court requesting preventive relief, including an application for a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order, or other order against the person or group of persons responsible for the pattern or practice of misuse. The foregoing remedies shall be independent of any other remedies or procedures that may be available to an aggrieved party under other provisions of law, including Part 2 (commencing with Section 43) of Division 1 of the Civil Code.

(f) This section shall not be deemed to authorize the publication, distribution, or disclosure of the address of any person about whom information can be published, distributed, or disclosed pursuant to this section.

(g) Community notification shall be governed by subdivisions (m) and (n) of Section 290.

(h) The Department of Justice shall submit to the Legislature an annual report on the operation of the "900" telephone number required by paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) on July 1, 1996, July 1, 1997, and July 1, 1998. The annual report shall include all of the following:

(1) Number of calls received.

(2) Amount of income earned per year through operation of the "900" telephone number.

(3) A detailed outline of the amount of money expended and the manner in which it was expended for purposes of this section.

(4) Number of calls that resulted in an affirmative response and the number of calls that resulted in a negative response with regard to whether a named individual was listed pursuant to subdivision (a).

(5) Number of persons listed pursuant to subdivision (a).

(6) A summary of the success of the "900" telephone number program based upon selected factors.

(i) The “900” telephone number program authorized by this section shall terminate operation on January 1, 1998.

(j) Law enforcement agencies, employees of law enforcement agencies, and state officials shall be immune from liability for good faith conduct under this section.

(k) On or before July 1, 2000, the Department of Justice shall make a report to the Legislature concerning the changes to the operation of the “900” telephone number program made by the amendments to this section by Assembly Bill 1562 of the 1995–96 Regular Session of the Legislature. The report shall include all of the following:

(1) Number of calls received by county.

(2) Number of calls that resulted in an affirmative response and the number of calls that resulted in a negative response with regard to whether a named individual was listed pursuant to subdivision (a).

(3) Number of persons listed pursuant to subdivision (a).

(4) Statistical information concerning prosecutions of persons for misuse of the “900” telephone number program, including the outcomes of those prosecutions.

(5) A summary of the success of the “900” telephone number based upon selected factors.

(l) The registration and public notification provisions of this section are applicable to every person described in these sections, without regard to when his or her crimes were committed or his or her duty to register pursuant to this section arose, and to every offense described in these sections, regardless of when it was committed.

(m) This section shall become operative on July 1, 1995, and shall become inoperative on January 1, 1999, and as of that date is repealed unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 1999, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 4. Section 2.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 290 of the Penal Code proposed by both this bill and AB 401. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 1997, but this bill becomes operative first, (2) each bill amends Section 290 of the Penal Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after AB 401, in which case Section 290 of the Penal Code, as amended by Section 2 of this bill, shall remain operative only until the operative date of AB 401, at which time Section 2.5 of this bill shall become operative.

SEC. 5. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution for certain costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district because in that regard this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or

changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.

However, notwithstanding Section 17610 of the Government Code, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains other costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code. If the statewide cost of the claim for reimbursement does not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000), reimbursement shall be made from the State Mandates Claims Fund.

Notwithstanding Section 17580 of the Government Code, unless otherwise specified, the provisions of this act shall become operative on the same date that the act takes effect pursuant to the California Constitution.

SEC. 6. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to authorize law enforcement officers to disclose the identities and locations of sex offenders to preserve the public safety, it is necessary for this act to take effect immediately.

